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# *MINUTES UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY* UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD

DEQ Building Board Room 1015 195 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84116 January 28, 2015

## UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Myron Bateman

Shane Pace

Leland Myers

Gregg Galecki

Merritt Frey

Hugo Rodier

Amanda Smith

Jennifer Grant

Excused: Clyde Bunker

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Walter Baker, Leah Ann Lamb, Erica Gaddis, Jenny Potter, Nicole Froula, Emily Canton, John Mackey, Lisa Nelson, Carl Adams, Kari Lundeen, Jeff Studenka, Kim Shelley, Mike Allred, Paul Krauth, Judy Etherington.

#### OTHERS PRESENT

<u>Name</u>

Organization Representing

Rebecca Andrus

Salem City

Randy Brailsford

Salem City Mayor

Nick Patterson

Forsgren Associates

Bruce Ward

Forsgren Associates

Jason Broome

Forsgren Associates DEQ

Scott Baird Jeff Beckman

Bowen Collins

Myron Bateman called the Board meeting to order at 9:01 AM and took roll call for the members of the Board and audience.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2014 MEETING

Motion:

It was moved by Mr. Pace and seconded by Mr. Galecki to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2014 Water Quality Board meeting. The motion was approved. Jennifer Grant abstained from the vote.

#### **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT**

- The Water Connectivity Report done by the EPA is complete. The seated science panel determined there generally is a connection between surface waters, isolated waters, groundwater's and Waters of the US. The EPA's proposed rule for Waters of the US was public-noticed nationally, and a final rule will be forthcoming.
- Leland & Merritt have served the Board for eight years, with their terms coming to an end. Stake Holders have been sent letter for solicitation for potential nominations to fill their two vacancies.

### CLEAN WATER SRF PROGRAM REPORTS

**SRF Annual Report:** Ms. Cantón reviewed the State Revolving Fund (SRF) grant agreement, and annual report, including financial statements. These must be submitted to EPA Region 8. She reviewed the long-term and short-term goals that were achieved as well as reported on the programmatic and financial status of the SRF funds.

FY15 Intended Use Plan and Project Priority: Request to go to Public Comment: Ms. Cantón requested approval from the Water Quality Board to seek public comment regarding the FY 2015 Intended Use Plan (IUP) and Project Priority List (PPL).

Motion:

Following a discussion Mr. Myers made a motion to direct staff to seek public comment on the FY 2015 Intended Use Plan & Project Priority List. Ms. Grant seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **FUNDING REQUESTS**

**Financial Reports:** Ms. Cantón updated the Board on the Loan Funds, and Hardship Grant Funds, as seen in the Board Packet on page E-1 & E-2.

**Salem City Planning Advance:** Salem City requested a hardship planning advance in the amount of \$112,300 to complete a wastewater treatment and collection system facility plan to evaluate alternatives to its existing lagoon system which is unable to meet the existing water quality standards for ammonia.

Motion:

Following a discussion Mr. Pace made the motion to approve the planning advance for \$112,300, with the special conditions recommended by staff. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### RULEMAKING

Request to Initiate Rulemaking for Section R317-10-8: *Utah Wastewater Operator Certification Council:* Ms. Etherington recommended that the Water Quality Board approve the proposed amendment to *Section R317-10-8, Utah Wastewater Operator Certification Council,* as detailed in the Board Packet on pages G1-G4.

Motion:

Following a discussion Mr. Myers made the motion to adopt rule R317-10-8, Mr. Pace seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Appointment of Two New Members to the Wastewater Operator Certification Council: Ms. Etherington made recommendation for appointment to the 2015 Wastewater Operator Certification Council: Lawrence Burton & Tom Pendley to be appointed to fill the vacancies "representing wastewater collection operators." She also recommended Richard Jex continue serving his current three-year term on the Council as a representative of wastewater treatment operators. Terms would be from February 1, 2015 and continue through January 31, 2017.

Motion:

Following a discussion Mr. Pace made the motion to appoint members to Wastewater Operator Certification Council. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Next Meeting – February 25, 2015 DEQ Building Board Room – 1015 195 North 1950 West Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Myron Bateman, Chair

Utah Water Quality Board